



Massachusetts MCH Block Grant FY12

GLOSSARY

Massachusetts Acronyms and Other Terms

AAP – American Academy of Pediatrics (often, Massachusetts Chapter of)

AAFP – American Academy of Family Physicians (often, Massachusetts Chapter of)

ACA – Affordable Care Act of 2010 (Federal Health Care Reform legislation); full title is the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

ACF –Administration for Children and Families (federal)

ACOG – American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (often, Massachusetts Section of)

ACNM – American College of Nurse Midwives (often, Massachusetts Chapter of)

ACYF –Administration on Children, Youth and Families; a division of ACF (federal)

AWHONN – Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nursing (often, Massachusetts Section)

ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act **or** American Dietetic Association

AHCI – Alliance for Health Care Improvement – a collaborative of medical directors of Mass. non-for-profit health plans

ASD – Autism Spectrum Disorders

BEHA – Bureau of Environmental Health Assessment, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

BFCH - Bureau of Family and Community Health, Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Massachusetts Title V agency until 2008 – see BFHN)

BFHN - Bureau of Family Health and Nutrition, Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Massachusetts Title V agency beginning 2008 – see BFCH)

BCHAP – Bureau of Community Health Access and Promotion, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

BHCSQ – Bureau of Health Care Safety and Quality, Massachusetts Department of Public Health (previously the Bureau of Health Quality Management)

BHQM - Bureau of Health Quality Management, Massachusetts Department of Public Health – See BHCSQ

BSAS – Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

BMI – Body Mass Index

BRFSS - Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey

BSAS - Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

CAC – Children’s Advocacy Centers (sites for Pediatric SANE services)

CAPTA – Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act

CBHI – Children’s Behavioral Health Initiative. An EOHHS initiative to restructure children’s mental health services in Massachusetts.

CBO – Community-Based Organization

CDC -- US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CHC – Community Health Center

CHIP – see SCHIP Children’s Health Insurance Program and Title XXI

CHNA - Community Health Network Areas. Area designated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) to promote area-based health status needs assessment, prevention initiatives, and partnerships between DPH and community providers and consumers. There are currently 27 CHNAs in the state of Massachusetts.

CHSP – Coordinated School Health Program; collaborative efforts of MDPH and DOE

CICRF – Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund, BFHN

CISS/COG – Community Integrated Service System / Community Organization Grants (MCHB funding category)

CLPPP – Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. This program is administered by BEHA, MDPH.

CMS – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (federal agency) – previously HCFA

CMSP - Children's Medical Security Program. A state-funded preventive and primary care health insurance program for uninsured children under age 19 who are not eligible for MassHealth. Transferred from BFCH, MDPH to Medicaid effective July 1, 2004.

CommonHealth - A Medicaid wrap-around insurance program for disabled, working adults and disabled children who are low-income but not Medicaid eligible.

Commonwealth Care -- the subsidized health insurance program authorized through the state's Medicaid Demonstration Waiver and offered through the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority (the Connector); one of the key components of Massachusetts Health Care Reform. Several plans are offered for eligible residents.

Commonwealth Choice – health insurance plans offered to the public for those purchasing their own health insurance; approved and negotiated through the Connector.

Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority (the Connector) – the new independent state agency responsible for implementing Massachusetts Health Care Reform.

Consortium, The – The Massachusetts Consortium for CSHCN

CPS – Child Passenger Safety

CQI – Continuous Quality Improvement

CRAFFT - a brief screening test for adolescent substance abuse. The test is known by a mnemonic based on the first letter of keywords in 6 easy-to-remember questions: C (Have you ever ridden in a CAR driven by someone (including yourself) who was "high" or had been using alcohol or drugs?); R (Do you ever use alcohol or drugs to RELAX, feel better about yourself, or fit in?); A (Do you ever use alcohol/drugs while you are by yourself, ALONE?); F (Do you ever FORGET things you did while using alcohol or drugs?); F (Do your family or FRIENDS ever tell you that you should cut down on your drinking or drug use?) T (Have you gotten into TROUBLE while you were using alcohol or drugs?). 2 or more yes answers suggests a significant problem.

CSHCN/CSHN/CYSHCN/CYSHN – children with special health care needs, children with special health needs, children and youth with special health care needs, children and youth with special health needs – all of which generally refer to the same set of children and typically are defined in keeping with the HRSA/MCHB definition: children who have or are at increased risk for chronic physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional conditions and who require health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally. Programs may target subsets of all CYSHN who meet the MCHB definition (e.g. by age). Some programs may target, or identify for data collection purposes, children by condition or diagnosis.

CTF – Children's Trust Fund (Massachusetts)

DDS - Department of Developmental Services (Massachusetts); formerly the Department of Mental Retardation; renamed in FY09.

DESE - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Massachusetts) (formerly the Department of Education).

DHCD – Department of Housing and Community Development (Massachusetts)

DHCFP – Division of Health Care Finance and Policy (Massachusetts); organizationally part of the Office of Health Services, EOHHS.

DMA – Division of Medical Assistance, earlier name for the Medicaid agency for the state. See Office of Medicaid.

DMH - Department of Mental Health (Massachusetts).

DMR - Department of Mental Retardation (Massachusetts), which became the Department of Developmental Services in FY2009.

DOE - Department of Education (Massachusetts), which became the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (ESE) in FY08.

DPECSHN – Division for Perinatal, Early Childhood and Special Health Care Needs in the Bureau of Family Health and Nutrition

DPH - see MDPH

DSS - Department of Social Services (Massachusetts)

DTA - Department of Transitional Assistance (Massachusetts) (State TANF agency)

DV SCRIP – Domestic Violence Screening, Referral and Information Program, BCHAP

DYS - Department of Youth Services (Massachusetts)

EBC - Electronic Birth Certificate. System implemented in Massachusetts during 1996.

EC – Emergency Contraception

EEC - Department of Early Education and Care (state agency)

EI -- Early Intervention Program

EIPLP – Early Intervention Parent Leadership Program

EIPP – Early Intervention Partnership Program

EOHHS -- Executive Office of Health and Human Services for the state of Massachusetts; the Department of Public Health is part of this Secretariat, reporting through the Office of Health Services

Eos – New WIC data system

EOPS – Executive Office of Public Safety

EPSDT – Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (a Medicaid program)

ESHS – Essential School Health Services Program

ESE -- Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as of FY08, formerly the Department of Education (DOE).

ESM / EIM – Enterprise Services Management / Enterprise Invoice Management. EOHHS-wide project of the Virtual Gateway. EIM is being implemented in all EOHHS agencies. Several MDPH programs are or will be utilizing both EIM and ESM to provide an enterprise-wide, end-to-end, health and human services management and administration tool (from intake and enrollment to service planning and case management to billing and payment).

Family TIES – Together in Enhancing Support. Statewide parent-to-parent support, information and referral network for families and providers involved in the care of children with special needs.

FI – Family Initiatives

FMAP – Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (previously known as FFP or Federal Financial Participation)

FOR Families – Joint MDPH and Department of Housing and Community Development program that provides follow-up, outreach and referral for homeless families; program transferred from DTA in FY10.

FPL – Federal Poverty Level; the income standards issued annually in the Federal Register to account for the last calendar year's increase in prices as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

FPPI – Family and Professionals Partners Institute; part of the Moving Forward Together project.

FQP -- Federally Qualified Provider

HAHCU – Healthy Aging/Health and Disability Unit, BCHAP

HAN – Health Alert Network

HCFA -- Health Care Financing Agency (Federal) – now the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

HCFP – See DHCFP

Healthy Start -- Massachusetts state-funded program which provides a) maternity insurance coverage for women up to 225% of the FPL who are not eligible for MassHealth and b) assistance with MassHealth presumptive eligibility. Transferred from BFCH, MDPH to Medicaid effective July 1, 2004.

HEDIS – Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set. HEDIS is a set of standardized performance measures designed to compare the performance of managed health care plans; it is sponsored, supported, and maintained by NCQA.

HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

I.D.E.A. -- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of the federal government; Part C of IDEA is the federal Early Intervention system legislation

ICC -- Interagency Coordinating Council, Early Intervention Program

IFSP -- Individualized Family Service Plan

Improved Access to Health Care Act -- State health care reform legislation enacted in July 1996, and funded through a 25-cent increase to the state tobacco tax. Never fully implemented.

IPCP -- Injury Prevention and Control Program

IPI – Inter-pregnancy interval (also termed IPP – inter-pregnancy period)

ISA -- Interagency Service Agreement (mechanism by which one Massachusetts state agency can transfer funds to another for a specific purpose or joint project)

IT -- Information Technology

Kaileigh Mulligan - Short for the Kaileigh Mulligan Home Care for Disabled Children Program, which is the Massachusetts Medicaid Home Care Waiver program.

MAAP – Massachusetts Asthma Advocacy Partnership

MAPCP – Massachusetts Asthma Prevention and Control Program, BCHAP, MDPH

MAPCI – Massachusetts Asthma Planning Collaborative Initiative (predecessor to MAAP)

MASNRN – Massachusetts School Nurses Research Network

MassCARE -- Massachusetts Community AIDS Resource Enhancement (MCHB Ryan White Title IV Pediatric AIDS Demonstration project)

MassCHIP -- Massachusetts Community Health Information Project

MassHealth/Massachusetts Medicaid program – programs include:

MassHealth Standard

MassHealth Basic, MassHealth Essential, MassHealth Prenatal

MassHealth Commonwealth

MassHealth Family Assistance

Children’s Medical Security (CMSP)

Healthy Start

MASSTART -- Massachusetts Technology Assistance Resource Team

MBC – Massachusetts Breastfeeding Coalition

MBR – Massachusetts Benefits Request (Medicaid Application)

MCAAP – Massachusetts Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics

MCH IP -- Maternal and Child Health Immunization Program, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

MCHB – Maternal and Child Health Bureau (federal)

MCO – Managed Care Organization

MECCS – Massachusetts Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Project. An MCHB CISS grant to coordinate services for children through age 5 across state agencies.

MDPH -- Massachusetts Department of Public Health

MHAP – Massachusetts Health Assessment Partnership

MHDRP – Massachusetts Health and Disabilities Research Partnership

MHQP – Massachusetts Health Quality Partnership

MIECHV – Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program. New initiative of both formula and competitive funding for evidence-based home visiting and comprehensive early childhood systems. Joint HRSA/MCHB and ACF program funded through the Affordable Care Act.

MIP -- Massachusetts Immunization Program

MIS -- Management Information System

MISER - Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research at the University of Massachusetts / Amherst. MISER was previously a source of population estimates for Massachusetts in non-Census years.

MOPCI – Massachusetts Overweight Prevention and Control Initiative

MOVA – Massachusetts Office of Victim Assistance

MPPTI – Massachusetts Pregnant and Parenting Teens Initiative. New program funded by the federal Office of Adolescent Health through A.C.A.

MRT -- Medical Review Team

MTCP -- Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program

NSCSHCN – National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs

NEDSS – National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (federal CDC)

NENSP -- New England Newborn Screening Program

NICHQ – National Initiative for Children’s Healthcare Quality

NPAU – Nutrition / Physical Activity Unit, BCHAP

OCCS - Office of Child Care Services (Massachusetts); most functions moved to the new Department of Early Education and Care as of July 1, 2005.

OAHYD – Office of Adolescent Health and Youth Development, Division of Community Health Access and Promotion, BCHAP

ODT – Office of Data Translation, BFHN

Office of Medicaid – The Massachusetts Medicaid agency; also known as MassHealth

OOH – Office of Oral Health, Division of Community Health Access and Promotion, BCHAP

OYYAS – Office of Youth and Young Adult Services, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, MDPH

PAC – Perinatal Advisory Committee; MDPH- convened advisory group on maternal and newborn policy and regulation

PAR – Population Attributable Risk

PCC -- Primary Care Clinician; a provider of managed care to members in the MassHealth Managed Care Program

PCP – Primary Care Physician (or Primary Care Professional)

PDAO – Privacy and Data Access Office, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

PDD -- Pervasive Developmental Disorder

PELL – Pregnancy to Early Life Longitudinal Linkage project and database. PELL is a collaboration between MDPH, CDC, and Boston University School of Public Health. Linked data are housed at MDPH, BFHN.

PNSS -- Pregnancy Nutrition Surveillance Systems

POS -- Purchase of Service

PPCN – Pediatric Palliative Care Network. State funded program started in 2007

PPCP -- Perinatal Primary Care Programs

PPOR – Perinatal Periods of Risk

PRAMS – Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System; CDC-funded system

PREP – Personal Responsibility Education Program. New federal program of the Administration for Children and Families funded through the Affordable Care Act to educate youth between the ages of 10 and 19 on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS.

QIP - Quality Improvement Program

RCP – Regional Consultation Programs (part of Early Intervention service system)

RFR -- Request for Responses. This is the method by which Massachusetts human service agencies competitively bid and procure Purchase of Service contracts.

Rosie D. – Name of a successful class action lawsuit against the Commonwealth addressing an inadequate and inappropriate range of behavioral health services for children and youth. Now resulting in major redesign and expansion of the behavioral health services system.

SAMHSA -- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

SANE – Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program; BCHAP (also Pedi-SANE)

SBHC -- School-Based Health Centers

SBS – Shaken Baby Syndrome

SCHIP – State Children’s Health Insurance Program - see Title XXI

SHI – School Health Institute, Northeastern University

SHS – Second Hand Smoke

SIDS – Sudden Infant Death Syndrome

SPRANS – Special Projects of Regional and National Significance

SSI – Supplemental Security Income, federal Social Security Administration (SSA)

STD – Sexually Transmitted Diseases

STI – Sexually Transmitted Infections

TANF – Transitional Aid to Needy Families (federal program, administered by the Administration for Children and Families; replaced welfare programs)

Title V – Title V of the Social Security Act - Maternal and Child Health Services Program

Title XIX – Title XIX of the Social Security Act - Medicaid

Title XXI – Federal statute enacted as a part of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, establishing a Children’s Health Insurance Program to provide states with enhanced federal reimbursement for providing health coverage to uninsured targeted low-income children.

UHDDS - Uniform Hospital Discharge Data Set

UNHSP – Universal Newborn Hearing Screening Program (Massachusetts)

USDA – United States Department of Agriculture (WIC is a USDA program.)

Vital Records - Registry of Vital Records and Statistics, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

Virtual Gateway – An Internet portal designed by EOHHS to provide online access to the general public, medical providers, community-based organizations and EOHHS staff. Functionalities of the Gateway include Applying for a number of human service programs, including MassHealth and food stamps, using a single, integrated online application; managing client services; and completing and submitting service delivery reports and invoices through a single front door to EOHHS agencies. (See also ESM / EIM.)

VNA – Visiting Nurse Association (or Agency)

WIC - Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children

YSHCN – Youth with Special Health Care Needs